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Invention: DRIVE ARRANGEMENT FOR AT LEAST ONE MOTOR VEHICLE AUXILIARY SYSTEM...			
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Hon. Commissioner of
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action of March
6, 2002.

In the Office Action the Examiner indicated that the present
application contained three different species, in particular:

Drive arrangement 1 shown in Figures 1-3;

Drive arrangement 2 shown in Figure 4;

Drive arrangement 3 shown in Figure 5.

The Examiner required to elect a single species for further prosecution.

With the present Amendment applicants have selected for further prosecution the drive arrangement 1 shown in Figures 1-3.

It is believed that claims 1, 5-6, 13-14 and 16 are generic to all the species disclosed. Claims 1, 3-7 and 11-16 correspond to the drive arrangement of Figure 1.

At the same time the Examiners election requirement is respectfully traversed.

The present application is a U.S. national phase application, based on the PCT application. In accordance with a PCT Rule 13, a single application can contain several species which should be examined simultaneously, and as such it will satisfy the requirement of the unity of the invention.

Rule 13 of PCT has to be strictly followed during prosecution of the U.S. patent applications. This was confirmed in the decision Caterpillar Tractor Co v. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, as reported in 231 USPQ 590 on May 28, 1986.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested to withdraw the election requirement and prosecute in this application all claims related to all species.

Consideration and allowance of present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Any costs involved should be charged to the deposit account of the undersigned (No. 19-4675). Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,



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